stockholders are individually indebted for the maximum direct or guaranteed FO loan limits, may borrow the maximum direct or guaranteed FO loans providing none of the members or stockholders are required to pledge personal liability for the entity debt. Partners or joint operators of a partnership or joint operation, which are indebted for a \$200,000 direct and a \$100,000 guaranteed FO loan, cannot borrow additional FO funds as individuals in a separate operation, because they are each personally liable for the total entity debt. Likewise, such entities consisting of individuals who are indebted for the maximum direct or guaranteed FO loan limits, are not eligible for FO loan assistance.

- (3) Different lien positions on real estate are considered separate and identifiable collateral.
- (4) All other requirements of the loan are met.
- (c) New applicants and borrowers indebted to the Agency or its successor agency under Public Law 103–354 and/or and the Agency or its successor agency under Public Law 103–354 guaranteed lender(s) for an EE loan may be considered for an FO loan(s) provided their total outstanding principal indebtness to the Agency or its successor agency under Public Law 103–354 and/or the Agency or its successor agency under Public Law 103–354 guaranteed lender(s) for the EE and any SW, RL OL and FO loans will not exceed \$650,000.
- (d) A borrower may use the same collateral to secure two or more loans, direct or guaranteed, under this subpart except that the outstanding amount of such loans may not exceed the total value of the collateral so used.

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### §§ 1943.30-1943.32 [Reserved]

## §1943.33 Loan approval or disapproval.

(a) Loan approval authority. Initial and subsequent loans may be approved as authorized by subpart A of part 1901 of this chapter provided:

- (1) The total debt including the loan(s) being made (unpaid principal and past due interest) against the security will not exceed the market value of the security.
- (2) No significant changes have been made in the development plan considered by the appraiser when real estate will be taken as security.
- (b) Loan approval action. (1) The loan approval official must approve or disapprove applications within the deadlines set out in §1910.4 of subpart A of part 1910 of this chapter. The loan approval official is responsible for reviewing the docket to determine whether the proposed loan complies with established policies and all pertinent regulations. When reviewing the docket, the loan approval official will determine that:
- (i) The Agency has certified the applicant eligible.
- (ii) Funds are requested for authorized purposes.
- (iii) The proposed loan is based on a feasible plan. Planning forms other than Form FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103–354 431–2 may be used when they provide the necessary information.
  - (iv) The security is adequate.
- (v) Necessary supervision is planned, and
- (vi) All other pertinent requirements have been met or will be met.
  - (2) [Reserved]

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# §1943.34 Requesting title service and accepting option.

(a) The County Supervisor will request the applicant to obtain title clearance as provided in subpart B of part 1927 of this chapter, when required, if this has not been done.

When the loan is approved, the following action will be taken:

(b) The applicant will sign Form FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103–354 440–35, "Acceptance of Option," and send the original to the seller if land is being acquired. A copy will be kept in the case folder.

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(c) The applicant will arrange with the seller to take possession when land is being acquired.

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#### § 1943.35 Action after loan approval.

(a) Requesting check. If the County Supervisor is reasonably certain that the loan can be closed within 20 working days from the date of the check, loan funds may be requested at the time of loan approval through the field office terminal system. If funds are not requested when the loan is approved, advances in the amount needed will be requested through the field office terminal system. Loan funds must be provided to the applicant(s) within 15 days after loan approval, unless the applicant(s) agrees to a longer period. If no funds are available within 15 days of loan approval, funds will be provided to the applicant as soon as possible and within 15 days after funds become available, unless the applicant agrees to a longer period. If a longer period is agree upon by the applicant(s), the same will be documented in the case file by the County Supervisor.

(1) When all loan funds can be disbursed at, or within 30 days after, loan closing of if the amount of funds that cannot be disbursed does not exceed \$5,000, the total amount of the loan will be requested in a single advance.

(2) When loans funds cannot be disbursed as outlined in paragraph (a)(1) of this section, the amount needed to meet the immediate needs of the borrower will be requested through the field office terminal system. amount of each advance should meet the needs of borrowers as much as possible, so that the amount in the supervised bank account will be kept at a minimum. The Finance Office will continue to supply Form FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 440-57 until the entire loan has been disbursed. The County Supervisor should tell the borrower to notify the County Office of amounts needed on a timely basis to avoid delays in receiving loan checks.

(b) Handling loan checks. (1) When the loan check or the borrower's personal funds are to be deposited in the des-

ignated loan closing agent's escrow account, this will be done no later than the date of loan closing. If loan funds or the borrower's personal funds are to be deposited in a supervised bank account, this will be done in accordance with subpart A of part 1902 of this chapter as soon as possible, but in no case later than the first banking day following the date of loan closing.

(2) If a loan check is received and the loan cannot be closed within 20 working days from the date of the check, the County Supervisor will take appropriate action in accordance with FmHA Instruction 2018–D, a copy of which may be obtained from any FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103–354 office. The applicant must agree to a delayed loan closing and the same will be documented in the case file by the County Supervisor.

(3) When a check is returned and the loan will be closed at a subsequent date, another check will be requested in accordance with FmHA Instruction 2018-D.

(c) Cancellation of loan. If, for any reason a loan check or obligation will be cancelled:

(1) The County Supervisor will notify the State Office of loan cancellation by using Form FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 1940-10, "Cancellation of U.S. Treasury Check and/or Obligation." The County Office will send a copy of Form FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 1940-10 to the designated attorney, Regional Attorney, or the title insurance company representative providing loan closing instructions to indicate that the loan has been canceled. If a check received in the County Office is to be canceled, the check will be returned as prescribed in FmHA Instruction 2018-D (available in any FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 office).

(2) Interested parties will be notified of the cancellation as provided in subpart B of part 1927 of this chapter.

- (d) Cancellation of advances. When an advance is to be cancelled, the County Supervisor must take the following actions:
- (1) Complete and distribute Form FmHA or its successor agency under